



ARC-OVER

August 2015

TARC Meeting August 11, 2015 by Melinda, KK6NWP

7:10 pm Meeting called to order

Introductions, all introduced themselves

Dick Decker, Spencer Boyd and Grady Williams gave a well prepared presentation on Echolink.

Spencer stated with a discussion of Echolink, IRLP and the AllStar Link. He mentioned that the cost to start up varied for each. EchoLink Sound Card is \$8, AllStar needs the USB and Sound Card which is also \$8. IRLP requires a Sound Card and

IRLP Interface. It is the most costly at the \$8 plus

\$148. Spencer went over the platforms.

Next, Dick discussed Echolink. It can be easily downloaded free on your computer and then you are able to get on the radio. Dick remarked that he was able to do this in Thailand.

Grady discussed that in Motels Port 80 is open to use since most block the others. Anywhere you have connectivity you can get on the radio. Cell phones can also be used. Reno connected and made a demonstration. Grady showed his IRLP Page.

Dick mentioned that Don, (LRG) was in the Turlock Rehab. He encouraged members to pay him a visit after the meeting. Many agreed and said they would go over after the meeting.

Ron Roos welcomed John Kypers.

Ron Roos made a motion to approve the minutes from the last meeting. Bambi Schmidt seconded the motion. All approved.

A treasurers report was given. We have 74 dues paid members. Ron Roos thanked Dick Decker for putting the presentation together.

Grady Williams went over the information from the Repeater Committee. The installation has been made and plumbed. The county needs to come and inspect.

No Old or New Business.

Grady Williams made a motion to adjourn

All approved.

Meeting adjourned at 7:53 pm

There were 14 in attendance.

Thank you Melinda for always doing a great job as Secretary.

From Dick, K6SUU

Mexicano Synthetico Hits the Space Station!



Above you can see Casey, KK6SSB and his lovely wife Martha,

una Mexicana hermosa y authenica, as well as his son Derek, KJ6UGB. On the back right is the first Portagee into space, Manuel, N6MDM.

-Or maybe it was the oldest Portagee into space, I can't remember.

Casey pummeled the International Space Station with digital packets for at lest three days! He finally stopped when he got concerned they might take his US citizenship back. He is a naturalized Mexican after living there for 10 years. He is a dual citizen, or at least, he WAS a dual citizen. Now his son Derek is taking a shot at the space station. He is an actual American! They must have heard he was coming because they shut down the digital system on the space station for four days and counting. Maybe they knew Derek was Casey's son!

In any event it is named the International Space Station so it is appropriate for synthetic Mexicans to hit it also.

There is an old Dutchman in the back ground of the picture and when he finally comes back from the nude beach he camps at, he may try to hit it again also.

And that's the truth!

Dick Decker

From Chris, AB6PQ

Are you interested in Portable Operating?

Why not join the only free online community dedicated to all kinds of Portable Operating and share your knowledge and experience with other /P operators worldwide.

ARPOC (Amateur Radio Portable Operators Club) is a fast growing online club and friendly community that also runs a dedicated "just for fun" award scheme that issues digital certificates for portable operating activities. Join in and collect them all.

Interested? Visit our website and forums at <http://www.arpoc.org> and create a free user account to get involved and join in the portable fun!

Did You Know?

Every day, 7% of the US eats at McDonalds

Upcoming Events

Board Meeting: September 2

General Meeting: September 8

Board Meeting: October 7

General Meeting: October 13

[Pacificon: October 16-18](#)



From Duane, KG6KFA

In case you did not hear, our TRI County Ham radio group will be having our annual **Pot Luck and Swap Meet** at UTICA PARK, in Angles Camp on **Saturday SEPTEMBER 12 TH.**

They will have a ARRL sponsored ham testing session available from 10 AM to Noon, then we start gathering for the Pot Luck and Swap Meet. That usually starts from about **1 PM to 4 PM.**

This is the T.C.A.R.E.S., C.A.R.S. AND **AMADOR** CLUBS all joining in for a TRI COUNTY EVENT.

Diane and I will plan to go, and if you are interested.

EVERYONE IS WELCOME TO ATTEND

If you can go it's best to **get there early for parking,** and bring a **folding chair** as tables and benches are limited. First come , first served.

PS: It's sometimes quite hot , so bring a cap or hat just in case.

73

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From ARRL

Historical Terms

1 What is a Ham?-

Ham: a poor operator; a 'plug' (G. M. Dodge; *The Telegraph Instructor*)

The first wireless operators were landline telegraphers who left their offices to go to sea or to man the coastal stations. They brought with them their language and much of the tradition of their older profession. In those early days, every station occupied the whole spectrum with its broad spark signal. Government stations, ships, coastal stations and the increasingly numerous amateur operators all competed for time and signal supremacy in each other's receivers. Many of the amateur stations were very powerful. Two amateurs, working each other across town, could effectively jam all the other operations in the area. Frustrated commercial operators would refer to the ham radio interference by calling them "hams." Amateurs, possibly unfamiliar with the real meaning of the term, picked it up and applied it to themselves. As the years advanced, the original meaning has completely disappeared.

Thanks to all who contributed to this months ARC-OVER.
Stan KJ6BKZ